Remarks

Claims 1-22, 24, 26, 37 and 39-45 are in the case. Claims 23, 25, 27-36 and 38 were previously cancelled. Claims 1-11, 13-22, 24, 26, and 42-44 have been allowed.

Claims 37, 39-41 and 45 stand rejected. Please cancel claims 37, 39-41 and 45 in accordance with the above amendments.

Claim 12 has been objected to because step (f) of "drying the additional coating between the steps of contacting" was missing. Claim 12 has been amended accordingly.

It is believed that all of the claims are now in a condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

If any additional fees are required to enter the present submission, Applicant hereby authorizes the Office to charge our deposit account, Deposit Account No. 502795.

Respectfully submitted,

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